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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION."

- In line 3, after "(a)" insert: "For the purposes of this section, an
- 2 environmental tourism cruise vessel is one which is operated for a fee
- 3 for the purpose of education and observation and retention of marine
- 4 and estuarine resources collected under the conditions of the permit
- 5 issued under this section, except that holders of a permit issued under
- 6 section 26-60 shall not be required to obtain a permit under this
- 7 section."
- 8 In line 6, after "vessel." insert the following:
- 9 "No person shall operate, use or attempt to operate or use a vessel
- 10 or commercial fishing gear for environmental tourism cruises
- 11 authorized by this section unless the commissioner has issued an
- 12 environmental tourism cruise permit for such vessel, including

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13 conditions for the use of such fishing gear, to the owner of the vessel." 14 In line 162, after "dollars" insert the following: 15 "; (15) for an environmental tourism cruise vessel permit, fifty 16 dollars, provided the landing of any species regulated under 17 Department of Environmental Protection regulations is prohibited" 18 In line 218, after "of", insert "an environmental tourism cruise," 19 After line 283, insert the following: 20 "(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the 21 commissioner may authorize the transfer of an active commercial 22 fishing license for lobster provided the person transferring the license: 23 (1) Does not meet the qualification for license transfer in subsection (b) 24 of this section due to such person's own verified and substantiated medical circumstances; and (2) held the license, landed lobsters and 25 26 reported such lobster catch to the commissioner pursuant to section 26-27 157b in at least one year during the period from January 1, 1995, to June 8, 1998, inclusive. The person to whom such license is transferred 28 29 shall be limited to the number of pots actively fished and reported

during said period by the person transferring the license."

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